HiVE: High Visibility Enforcement

What is HiVE?

The Fairfax County Police Department (FCPD) has initiated this High Visibility Enforcement (HiVE) program to deter and change unlawful traffic behaviors. This universal approach allows the FCPD to identify specific traffic safety issues, and respond in a proactive, highly visible manner, in order to seek voluntary compliance with the law. Our goal is clear: Make the roadways of Fairfax County as safe as possible.

Through increased police presence, and effective engagement with our community, we aim to reduce crashes on our highways, keeping Fairfax County a safe place to live, work, play, visit, and grow old.

What do the statistics show?

After careful examination of crash data, the FCPD has identified areas throughout the County that have experienced higher numbers of traffic crashes. Based on this data, the FCPD has taken the initiative to combine education with enforcement to change driver behavior.

In 2017, law enforcement in Fairfax County responded to 8,345 non-interstate crashes. Of these crashes:

- 435 crashes involved alcohol
- 221 crashes involved speeding
- 2,236 crashes involved distracted driving
- 239 crashes involved pedestrians or cyclists
- 2,770 accidents resulted in injury

What will the initiative look like?

We need your help. With the cooperation of the public, the FCPD hopes to achieve a reduction in crashes, with the long term goal of having a year without a traffic fatality. In the upcoming months, you will see FCPD officers actively patrolling the roadways for dangerous driving behaviors.
Avoid being caught, by following these tips:

- Put the phone down and go hands free
- Avoid distractions
- Be mindful of crosswalks and pedestrians
  - Share the road with bicyclists
- Yellow means slow down and red means stop
  - Don’t speed
- Allow ample time to get to your destination
  - Keep your eyes and mind on the road

By following these safety tips, you are doing your part to make our highways safer by preventing unnecessary crashes. With your assistance, the FCPD can prevent more injuries and deaths due to traffic crashes.

If you got caught in the HiVE, please share your story on social media using #FCPDHiVE.

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www.dmv.org/distracteddriving